

# City of CASTROVILLE

## Newsletter

June 2017



## DRONE RACING COMPETITION

The 1st **Castroville Drone Racing Competition** will be part of this year's 4th of July festivities.

The event will be held at the Track & Field Complex of the Medina Valley ISD Middle School at 2pm. The course will be set up for practice Sunday, July 2nd, and the Competition will occur Monday, July 3rd. The starting time for the formal racing competition will be shortly after noon, and continue until the racing is complete. The Course will follow MultiGP standards. The Alamo City FPV Racers Chapter of MultiGP, and officials from Droneport Texas, will coordinate, conduct and oversee the race. Cash prizes will be offered for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place - \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$500, respectively.

The registration fee for participants will be \$30. In addition to paying for entry into the competition, the fee provides each participant with a t-shirt to commemorate the event, and a luncheon meal on July 3rd. If you wish to register for the event, please go to [www.castroville4thofjuly.us](http://www.castroville4thofjuly.us), click on the Drone Race tab, and follow the instructions. The event is free and open to the public!



### City Closures

**Tuesday, July 4th, 2017**

**City Offices are closed  
in observance of  
Independence Day.**

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## ANNUAL CHILI-BBQ COOK OFF

Have a passion for making brisket? Is your chili the talk of your family? Do you have a mouthwatering dessert recipe? Join us at Houston Square on Sunday, July 2nd, from 6-8 pm for the Annual Chili-BBQ Cook Off. Enter today to show off your culinary skills. Battle for bragging rights, a team trophy and support the Bluebonnet Children's Advocacy Center.

Team Entry fee is \$40. Dessert Entry Fee is \$20.

To register for the Cook Off please visit:

**<http://castrovilletx.gov/2460/Cook-off>**

Or Pick up an application at the Castroville Police Department. For more information, please contact:

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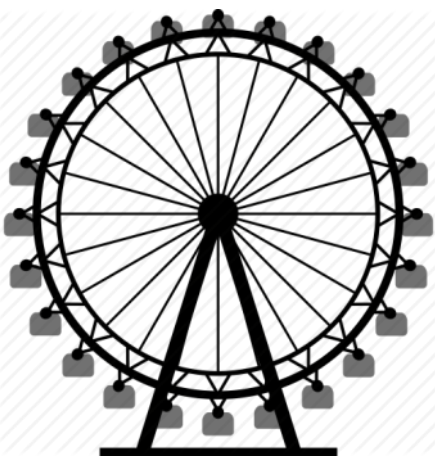
## 4TH OF JULY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The City of Castroville is recruiting volunteers for the 2017 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration. By volunteering, you can give back to your community while enjoying the fun-filled patriotic activities such as the Parade, the Chili and Brisket Cook-off and Street Dance, and the Concert and Fireworks in the Park. Volunteer opportunities range from greeters to set up or cleaning crews.

To register please visit:

**<http://castrovilletx.gov/FormCenter/4th-of-July-2/Volunteer-Signup-33>**

## 4TH OF JULY CARNIVAL



The 4th of July Carnival will be held from **July 1st to July 4th.**

The Carnival will be located at the intersection of Highway 90 and Tondre Parkway, next to Walmart (1159 HWY 90 E). Join us under the glittering lights, and enjoy the rides and games and delicious food.

## CASTROVILLE NOTIFICATION SIGN UP

**To sign up for Notifications from the City of Castroville website**

**1.Go to castrovilletx.gov**

2.Once on the City of Castroville Homepage, click on the **"Notify Me"** icon.





3.On the "Notify Me" page, it will ask you to "Please sign in to subscribe, unsubscribe, or manage your subscription."

4.Enter you email in the box labeled "email address."

5.Click "Sign In."

6.Select your preferences for email or text messages.

7.If you select text messages look for the icon of a cell phone to enter the phone number of the device to which messages will be sent and select "Save."

8.To subscribe or unsubscribe click  and/or  next to the list(s) to which you wish to receive or stop receiving notifications.

## I-INFO EMERGENCY NOTIFCATIONS SIGN UP

### How to Sign up

1. Go to <http://r.i-info.com/rc/arc>
2. Click on STRAN card in the Residents section.
3. Click on Medina County.
4. Check on Desired Notifications (County, Weather, Veterans or City).
5. Click on New i-Info Registration.
6. Input your information, Choose any or all "Notifications of Interest."
7. Complete registration.

A yellow and red graphic with bold text. The top part is yellow with red text: "ATTENTION MEDINA COUNTY RESIDENTS!". Below that is a black banner with white text: "Please Sign Up Today". Underneath is another yellow section with black text: "To Receive Emergency Notifications From Medina County and all 5 Cities!". At the bottom is a red banner with white text: "http://r.i-info.com/rc/arc". On the left of the red banner is a small logo for "ARC Alamo Regional Communications Registry".

## MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION

Mayor, Tim Kelley	210-844-3311	mayor@castrovilletx.gov
Mayor Pro Tem, District 4, Eric Cherry	210-391-6924	district4@castrovilletx.gov
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Councilmember District 3, Phil King	210-355-6546	district3@castrovilletx.gov
Councilmember District 5, Victor Ortiz Jr.	830-538-3687	district5@castrovilletx.gov

## CITY COUCIL & BOARD MEETINGS

### City Council

- June 13 at 6:00 pm
- June 27 at 6:00 pm
- July 11 at 6:00 pm
- July 25 at 6:00 pm

### Library Advisory Board

- June & July Meeting cancelled.

### Parks

- June 20 at 6:30 pm
- July 18 at 6:30 pm

### Planning & Zoning

- June 14 at 6:30 pm
- July 12 at 6:30 pm

### Historic Landmark

- June 20th at 6:30pm
- July 18 at 6:30 pm

### Airport

- June 10 at 9:00 am
- July 8 at 9:00 am

Meeting dates and times may change. Check the City's website for up-to-date information.  
castrovilletx.gov/AgendaCenter

## Executive Staff

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**24 HOUR UTILITY EMERGENCIES (830) 931-4091**

## Houston Square Survey

The Houston Square Ad Hoc Committee invites you to share your ideas on how to reimagine or improve this important civic space in the heart of Castroville. The Committee is busy evaluating ideas focusing on low-cost strategies that can be phased over time to implement a greater vision and is interested in hearing from YOU! Please answer the following survey to help the City of Castroville plan the revitalization of historic Houston Square.

1. How would you rate the general cleanliness and appearance of Houston Square? (Select One)

1. Great   2. Good   3. Needs Improvement   4. Don't know

2. Do you believe improvements should be made to Houston Square? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. How strongly do you feel that the following design features that currently exist or could be installed on the square are needed? Place an "x" in the column indicating your response.

	Much Needed	Somewhat Needed	Not Needed
<b>Landscaping</b>			
Landscaped Beds			
Trees			
Grass			
Planters or Landscaping along Outer Edge of Parking Area			
<b>Hardscape</b>			
Resurface and Stripe Parking Area			
Sidewalks			
Paths			
Courtyard Area			
<b>Amenities</b>			
New Trash Receptacles			
Wayfinding Map of Historic Area			
Sculpture			
Bicycle Parking			
Flag Poles (keep in place or relocate to another section on square)			
Repair Ornamental Fountain			
New Water Feature			
Drinking Water Fountain			
Arbors/ Shading Devices			
<b>Lighting</b>			
New Pedestrian Light Poles			
New Parking Area Lighting			
Ornamental Lighting			
<b>Activity Areas</b>			
Pavilion			
Gazebo or Band Stand			
Performance Area/Stage			
Splash Scape			
Play Scape			
Passive Recreational Activity Areas Such as Dominos/Checkers/Card Tables and Chairs			
<b>Seating</b>			
Bistro-style Chairs and Tables with Umbrellas			
Benches			

The Houston Square Advisory Committee thanks you for participating in this survey. Please hand deliver or mail the survey to Community Development Director, City of Castroville, 703 Paris St., Castroville, TX 78009 or email to [nina@castrovilletx.gov](mailto:nina@castrovilletx.gov).



# Old-fashioned 4th of July



Castroville, Texas

**July 1st - July 4th**

**Fun for the Whole Family! Celebrate America!**

**Fireworks** ☆ **Concert** ☆ **Carnival** ☆ **Parade** ☆ **Cook-Off** ☆ **Street Dance** ☆ **Color Run** ☆ **Drone Race**

## **SATURDAY, JULY 1ST**

Castroville Color Run @ Houston Square - 8:00am

Carnival @ Hwy 90 and Tondre Parkway - 6:00pm to 11:00pm



## **SUNDAY, JULY 2ND**

Carnival @ Hwy 90 and Tondre Parkway - 6:00pm to 11:00pm

Annual Chili/Brisket Cook-off @ Houston Square - 6:00pm

Old-Fashioned Street Dance @ Houston Square - 8:00pm

★ **Live Music by: StringSlingers featuring Keith Lutz** ★



## **MONDAY, JULY 3RD**

Carnival @ Hwy 90 and Tondre Parkway - 6:00pm to 11:00pm

Drone Racing @ MVISD Track & Field Complex - Noon



## **TUESDAY, JULY 4TH**

Old-Fashioned 4th of July Parade @ Houston Square - 9:00am

Carnival @ Hwy 90 and Tondre Parkway - 6:00pm to 11:00pm

4th of July Concert & Fireworks @ Regional Park - 4:00pm

**Live Music by:**

★ **Bobby Flores and the Yellow Rose Band** ★

**Henry Brun and the Latin Playerz** ★ **Houston Marchman**



**For parking and other information visit our website at**

**[www.castrovilletx.gov/4thofJuly](http://www.castrovilletx.gov/4thofJuly) or [www.castroville4thofJuly.us](http://www.castroville4thofJuly.us)**

★★★★★★★★★★★★ **Events Sponsored By** ★★★★★★★★★★

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